

**What is claimed as being new and desired to be protected by Letters Patent of the United States is as follows:**

**(Currently Amended) 1. An easy to use jar opener for people with arthritis comprising, in combination:**

**a handle means;**

**an adjustable gripping strap means;**

**a permanent attachment means;**

**a releasable attachment means;**

**said opener has a preferred list of component parts;**

**said opener has a method of use sequence for removing the cap of said jar and said opener has a predetermined operational direction so as to open and remove said a cap of a jar.**

**(Currently Amended) 2. The jar opener as claimed in claim 1 wherein said cap has a plurality of ribbed edges around the out side surface which mate with said gripping teeth of said handle thereby stabilizing said jar to said handle while said strap is being positioned around said cap.**

**(Currently Amended) 3. The jar opener as claimed in claim 1 wherein said handle means comprises: a preferred handle length of approximately 5 inches; said handle has a wide range of shapes such as round, square and hexagon; preferred is hexagon said handle ranges in diameter from ½ of an inch to 3 inches preferred is approximately 2 inches; while said handle is preferred to be manufactured by injection molding; while one end of said handle is flat and non functional while the opposite end is formed in a recessed concave dish design with gripping teeth built thereon so as**

**to accommodate and mate with said ribbed edge of any said cap on said jar; said handle accepts and permanently retains one end of said strap on one side of said handle while said handle also accepts and releasably secures the opposite end of said strap onto the opposite side of said handle.**

1       **(Currently Amended) 4. The jar opener as claimed in claim 1 wherein said**  
2 **gripping strap means, is wide enough so as to accommodate any side cap; said**  
3 **adjustable strap is long enough so as to accommodate any size cap while wrapping**  
4 **around said complete cap of said jar and return to said handle thereafter being**  
5 **secured onto said handle by releasable securing means; said length is preferred to**  
6 **be 12 inches having been selected from a range between 6 inches to 20 inches in**  
7 **said length; while the inside of said strap has a ribbed gripping texture so as to**  
8 **align, mate and grip with said ribbed surface of said cap, while one end of said**  
9 **strap permanently attaches to said handle and the opposite end releasably**  
10 **attaches to said handle; said strap is selected from a rubber, plastic or nylon**  
11 **material.**

12       **(Currently Amended) 5. The jar opener as claimed in claim 1 wherein said**  
13 **opener has a preferred list of component parts comprising:**

- 14       **(1) A gripping handle;**  
15       **(2) An adjustable strap;**  
16       **(3) A permanent attachment means for one end of said strap to said handle;**  
17       **(4) A releasable securing means for the opposite end of said strap to said**  
18 **handle.**

19       **(Currently Amended) 6. The jar opener as claimed in claim 1 wherein said jar**  
20 **opener has a method of use sequence for removing said cap of any said jar:**

- 21       **(a) Wrap the provided strap around the outer edge of the cap on the jar;**  
22       **(b) Secure the strap back onto the opposite side of the handle;**  
23       **(c) Grasp the present invention by the handle with one hand;**  
24       **(d) Grasp and stabilize the selected jar with the opposite hand;**  
25       **(e) Push the handle in a counter clockwise direction until the cap is in the open**  
26 **position;**

1 (f) Release the strap from the handle securing means thereby also releasing the  
2 cap from within the grasp of the strap; said invention thereby creates a functional  
3 and easy to use jar opener.

4 (Currently Amended) 7. The jar opener as claimed in claim 1 wherein said  
5 opener has a predetermined operational direction so as to open and remove said  
6 cap said direction being push said present invention in a counter clockwise  
7 direction.

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